

**NOTICE: ANNOUNCEMENT OF AVAILABILITY OF A DRAFT WASTEWATER
DISCHARGE PERMIT MODIFICATION**

PERMIT NO.: WA-002378-7

APPLICANT: Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission
Larrabee State Park Wastewater Treatment Plant
245 Chuckanut Drive
Bellingham, Whatcom County

Larrabee State Park has applied for a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit modification in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 90.48 Revised Code of Washington, Chapter 173-220 Washington Administrative Code, and the Federal Clean Water Act.

Following evaluation of the application for modification and other available information, the Department of Ecology's proposed modification consists of The treatment system has been upgraded by adding a membrane bioreactor (MBR) capable of micro-filtering the digested wastewater, and both lagoons have been relined. The facility has replaced its effluent chlorine disinfection system with an ultraviolet light (UV) system. The facility's effluent limits will change due to new design criteria. Maximum month design flow criteria of 0.035 MGD has changed to 0.027 MGD. The influent design criteria for BOD and TSS have changed from 63 lbs/day to 45 lbs/day.

A tentative determination has been made on the above special permit conditions which are intended to prevent and control pollution. A final determination will not be made until all timely comments received in response to this notice have been evaluated.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND INFORMATION

The draft permit and statement of basis may be viewed at the Department of Ecology (Department) website: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/permits/northwest_permits.html The application, fact sheet, proposed permit, and other related documents are also available at the Department's Northwest Regional Office for inspection and copying between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., weekdays. To obtain a copy or to arrange to view copies at the Northwest Regional Office, please call Sally Perkins at (425) 649-7190, e-mail sper461@ecy.wa.gov, or write to the address below.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the proposed permit modification. All comments must be submitted within 30 days after publication of this notice to be considered for the final determination. Comments should be sent to:

Mark Henderson
Department of Ecology
Bellingham Field Office
1440 – 10th Street, Ste 102
Bellingham, WA 98225

Email comments should be sent to mhen461@ecy.wa.gov

Any interested party may request a public hearing on the proposed permit modification within 30 days of the publication date of this notice. The request for a hearing shall state the interest of the party and the reasons why a hearing is necessary. The request should be sent to the above address. The Department will hold a hearing if it determines that there is significant public interest. If a hearing is to be held, public notice will be published at least 30 days in advance of the hearing date. Any party responding to this notice with comments will be mailed a copy of a hearing public notice. Please bring this public notice to the attention of persons who you know would be interested in this matter. If you require special accommodations or need this document in a format for the visually impaired, call Tricia Miller at (425)649-7201. Persons with hearing loss can call 711 for Washington Relay Service. Persons with a speech disability can call 877-833-6341.

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